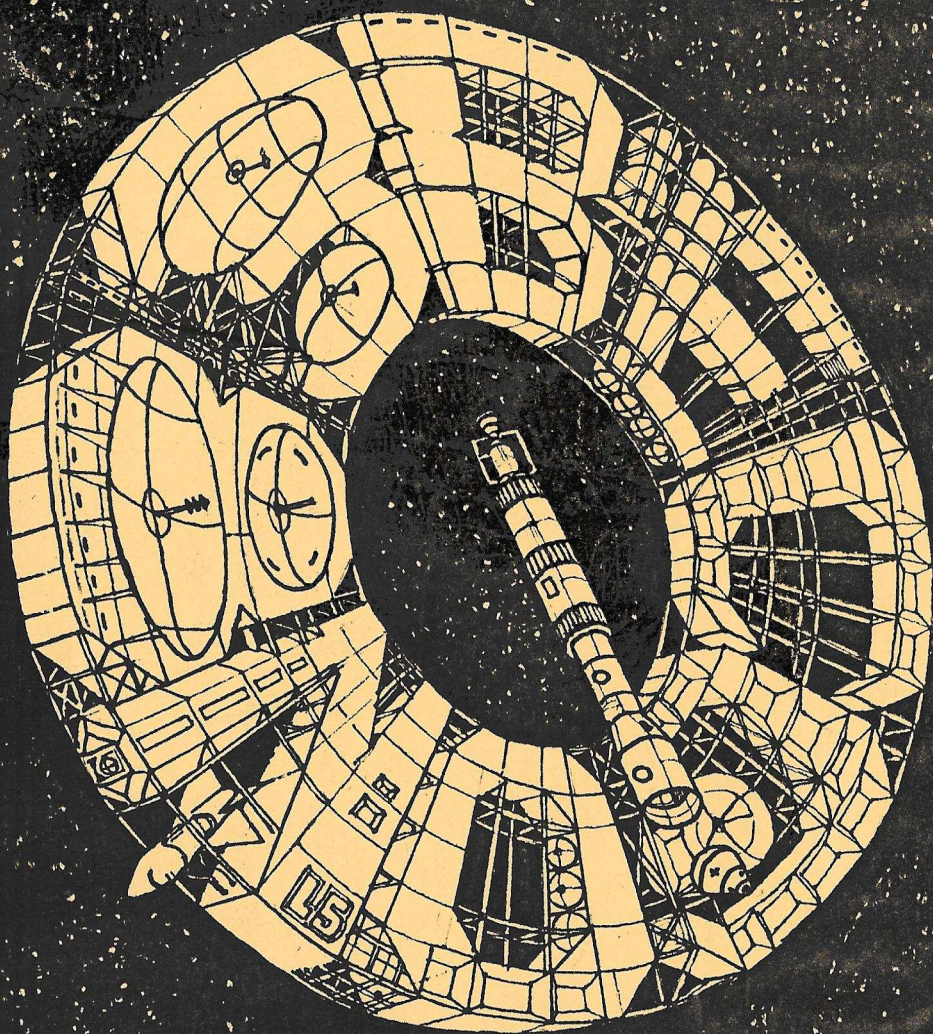




INTRODUCTION.

Once again the BECCON Committee strike from the Heart of London, a great pub, though most of us normally meet on Fridays in the Cock Tavern near Warren Street tube, to bring terror to Fandom throughout the country with Progress Report 3. But that's enough frivolity, let's get on with telling you all about:-

ROOM BOOKINGS.

People have been asking when the hotel booking forms would be out, even though we said in PR2. (Is anyone out there reading this, or am I just indulging in a rather obscure form of narcissism?).

Well, your booking form is enclosed, but if yours is missing or the tortoise has eaten it, you will either have to write to our central address or phone me, Roger Perkins, on 01-556 3850 for another one.

Firstly, please note that rooms may only be booked by full attending members of the Con, - so check your status in the list in this PR and enclose the £4.00 conversion fee if necessary. The room rates for the Con are;

£15.00 per night single,

£26.00 per night twin or double.

These rates are inclusive of VAT, exclusive of breakfast, and apply ONLY for Friday 29, Sat 30, and Sun 31 July - any other nights would be at the Hotels standard rates.

The Programme proper will commence at 7.00pm on the Friday, and will run into Sunday evening.

To assist you in remembering what you have booked, you might like to fill in the COPY extract below.

TYPE OF ROOM

1st Choice

2nd Choice

- ☒ Single
- ☐ Twin, I will find a sharer
- ☐ Twin, please find a sharer
- ☐ Double

- ☐ Single
- ☒ 2 Twin, I will find a sharer
- ☐ 1 Twin, please find a sharer
- ☐ Double
- ☒ 3 Don't book a room, and inform me.

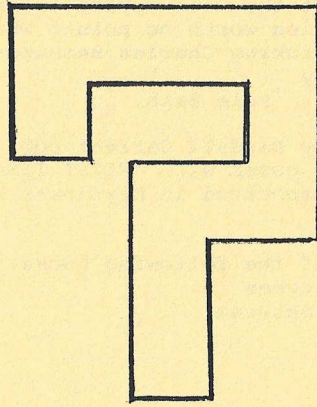
DATES.

- ☐ Thursday July 28
- ☒ Friday July 29
- ☒ Saturday July 30
- ☒ Sunday July 31

TRAVEL.

Full details of how to get to the Convention (where to hire native bearers, locations of oasis, etc.) will be given in PR4, which will be issued in early July. We are trying to arrange special rates with British Rail, but their communications seem to be late arriving, - probably a red tape failure at Clapham Junction.

For now I will just warn you that Basildon is located in deepest Essex, halfway between London and Southend.



THE BEGGON QUIZ

TRAP 3

OK folks - last segment & only 10 questions to go. Please note , if you've lost some of the questions , all 50 will be sent out with PR 4 in June?? For all you thirsty eidetics out there - I can't remember (or find) the answer to Q10 part b) although I have seen it somewhere(!) so I am offering a special prize of a pint of beer (or an other drink) to the first answer sheet received with this segment answered correctly (this way YOU can bang your heads against the wall trying to remember - NOT ME!) Now for one last question worth no points whatsoever: Why might you be justified in thinking Charles Beaumont is a bit of a nutt? Now, on with the motley

Pale Bath.

1). Starship Death by Randall Garrett pub. STAR (U.K.)1982 is blazoned on the front cover with "FIRST TIME IN PAPER-BACK".What was the title when it appeared in Mayflower Paperback (U.K.) in 1963?

2). Name the authors of the following books:

- a). i) A World Between
ii) The World Between
- b). i) Thorns
ii) Thorn
- c). i) Syzygy
ii) Syzygy
- d). i) Star Surgeon
ii) Star Surgeon
- e). i) The Godmakers
ii) The Godmakers

3). Merian C. Cooper promised Fay Wray that she would star with "The tallest, darkest, leading man in Hollywood". She did. Give his name and the name of the film.

4). Which British S.F. author used to work as a suppository tester (taster)?

5). Complete the following titles:

- a) and other strange growths.
- b) and other nihilists.
- c) and other mind benders.
- d) and other funny S.F. stories.
- e) and other fictions.

6). Name the titles of the books in a trilogy (each book written by a different author) in which at least 2 authors 'star' in each book (2 in the first and all 3 in the last 2).

7). The following are all male Science Fiction/Fantasy authors with 2 fore- & 1 sur- name - complete them (e.g. Clive STAPLES Lewis):

- a) Rucker
- b) Holbrook
- c) Kendred
- d) Grandison
- e) Rose

8). What is the Gunpowder God's other name?

9). A number of S.F. authors have titled their novels in a similar way. Name 10 that follow this pattern exactly The Man (e.g. Demolished, Female, Terminaletc)

10). Which S.F. novels are subtitled

- a) The Making of A Utopia.
- b) The Making of An Utopia.

NOTE: As in the BECCON CROSSWORD two years ago we do not EXPECT anyone to answer all these questions correctly. Please enter anyway !

MEMBERSHIP LIST (Alphabetical)

Recruitment continues apace, and it may be that we will, reluctantly, have to close our books before the Con. So if any of your friends have still not joined, why not get them to do so now? The list below has, with great effort, been sorted into alphabetical order so that you can easily check your status.

A = Attending, S = Supporting.

MEMBERSHIP RATES ARE £7.00 ATTENDING, £3.00 SUPPORTING, £4.00 CONVERSION.

Ameringen B	21 A	Campbell K	92 A	Davies K	101 S
Atkinson D	195 A	Carmichael M	85 A	Davies M	102 S
Bayley B	9 A	Clarke M	207 A	Davies S	151 A
Bear W	47 A	Clements K	79 S	Dean L	107 S
Beresford S	14 A	Clute J	10 A	Devaney S	155 A
Bourne T	182 A	Cohen P	135 A	Dickson I	73 S
Brazier P	183 A	Cook A	63 A	Docherty V	161 S
Breen D	94 A	Cooper C	202 S	Dormer P	89 A
Broadribb H	29 S	Covell I	8 A	Druce R	141 A
Broadribb T	184 A	Cowie J	16 A	Durham Univ	59 S
Friend of 184	185 A	Coxhead J	76 A	Edwards R	38 A
Brown K	163 S	Craig N	71 S	Edwards S	142 A
Bulmer K	1 A	Dallman J	23 A	Edwards L	120 S
Bunce M	201 A	Damesick M	130 A	Ellis D	57 S
Burak L	45 S	Darrock J	72 S	Elsmore J	70 S
Bursey C	25 A	Davenport C	62 A	England G	54 S
Campbell R	41 A	Davidson M	127 A		

Please enrol me as a member of BECCON 83,

I enclose the sum of ; £7 attending
£3 supporting
£4 conversion

(Name & Address overleaf)

Erskine M	181 S	Leak B	164 A	Schofield P	189 A
Fantasy Centre	50 A	Leeding C	157 A	Scott M	190 A
Fantasy Centre	196 A	Leeding G	156 A	Seller C	116 A
Fine C	44 A	Lermit D	35 A	Shaw R	69 S
Fine J	187 A	Lowe N	100 A	Simpson M	65 S
Francis S	105 A	Lucas P	103 S	Smith D	87 A
Funnell G	121 A	Lyon P	111 S	Sorenson I	49 S
Furniss T J	31 S	Mabey P	75 A	Spain A	178 S
Game P	139 A	Mascetti H	53 A	Steel J	153 A
Gardener P	86 A	McCleane R	27 A	Stewart A	64 A
Gilligan P	28 A	McHale K	122 S	Stewart J	12 A
Glover W	81 A	McNabb H	179 S	Stone M	93 A
Goodwin C	20 A	McNabb M	180 S	Stratmann G	78 A
Gosden S	148 A	McNern H	158 A	Strong D	150 A
Gould M	198 S	Memmott P	147 A	Styles J	199 A
Grove P	88 A	Mills N	58 A	Suslowicz C	83 A
Groves P	95 A	Minns R	118 S	Taylor L	129 S
Haden D	209 S	Molloy M	43 S	Taylor T	96 A
Hanna J	126 A	Montgomery D	97 A	Teesdale D	176 A
Harris G	143 A	Mortimore J	30 S	Thomas D	32 A
Harris M	138 A	Mullan C	40 A	Thomason S	169 A
Harrison S	140 A	Murray J	128 A	Thompson P	124 S
Haunton B	177 A	Newman R	170 A	Thornton C	99 A
Head G	117 A	Nicholas J	125 A	TIBS	46 A
Heathcote A	11 A	Nicholls J	205 A	Tonkin S	77 A
Henwood K	203 A	O'Donnell L	208 S	Tudor M	132 A
Hibbert J	68 S	Oppenheimer A	200 A	Turner M	188 A
Hoare K	168 A	Palmer P	60 A	Tyers P	18 A
Hoare M	167 A	Patten T	197 A	Van der Voort M	160 A
Holroyd M	98 S	Pardoe D	104 A	Van der Voort R	159 A
Holt W	206 A	Pardoe R	204 A	Vincent P	112 A
Illingworth T	114 A	Paterson J	48 S	Walker-Morgan D	136 A
Ingram S	144 A	Peak D	39 S	Walters D	174 A
Inston A	123 A	Peek B	17 A	Walton C	145 A
Johnston A	61 S	Perkins R	15 A	Wareham P	115 A
Kaill	42 A	Polley S	110 A	Webb G	52 A
Kerisley P	172 A	Porter M	171 A	Webb L	109 S
Kerr M	154 A	Power D	56 A	Weber K	186 A
Kessler G	84 S	Randall P	80 A	Wellstood-Eason	149 A
Kettle L	106 S	Reader K	165 A	West H	146 A
Khan N	51 S	Reed M	24 A	Westhead K	13 A
Kitson B	82 A	Roberts D	175 A	Westhead M	22 A
Lake C	91 A	Robertson A	108 A	Wheatly L	26 S
Lake K	173 A	Robinson A	37 A	Whiteoak O	33 A
Lake S	90 S	Robinson E	36 A	White J	74 S
Lake T	152 S	Robinson R	19 A	White M	113 S
Langford D	133 S	Rogers J	194 A	Wilkes J	34 A
Langford H	134 S	Rowland M	55 A	Wilkinson B	162 S
Lawrence G	119 S	Rowley D	67 S	Williams P	192 A
Lawson S	193 S	Ryman G	166 A	Williams R	191 A
Leahy P	66 S	Saville B	131 A	Willis P	137 A

Name

Address

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.....Postcode!.....

CORRESPONDENCE

The address for ALL correspondence about the con is :-
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NORTHOLT
MIDDX
UB5 4BU

PROGRAMME.

Programme planning is now at an advanced stage, so I can confirm that we will be continuing the policy of BECCON 81, with a single fairly heavy programme stream.

Volunteers: We are now looking for participants for various games, (e.g. Charades), quizzes, and panels. We need both teams (of 2,3,or4) and individuals, so if you are willing to take part please let us know at the usual address as soon as possible, with the period when you will be available and the general type of event you are interested in.

Films:

We have ordered the following films. All of them have been confirmed and we hope the details below will give you some idea of the treats in store.

Nosferatu.	directed by Werner Herzog. A disturbing and poetic remake of the classic of the early Twenties.
Fahrenheit 451.	directed by Francois Truffaut. 1966. The film version of the Ray Bradbury novel.
Slaughterhouse 5.	directed by George Roy Hill. 1971. The film version of the Kurt Vonnegut novel.
The Green Slime.	directed by Kenji Fukasaku. 1968. Little green men, spaceships, meteors - what more could you want! (well possibly a plot, good acting and script!!).
Son of Kong.	directed by Ernest Schoedsack. 1933. Sequel to the most famous monster movie.
Fred Fu Manchu.	A little known avant garde classic of early period Sellers.
Lurgi Strikes Britain.	Milligan strikes Beccon (subtitle).

Cartoons.

TURN OUT YOUR DRAWERS...Dressers, cupboards, bookcases, suitcases and old cardboard boxes. Look for BOOKS!

The Beccon Auction will take those rare 3rd edition, 2nd printing, copies of The Green Rain by Paul Tabori (or even A Man of Double Deed by Leonard Daventry) and turn them into hard cash (or possibly green crinkly cash, if still in use)- less the usual 10% commision.Should you have so many books for the Auction that you will be unable to stagger as far as Basildon with such a load, contact the committee in advance (usual address) and removals could possibly be arranged. Don't forget to also take plenty of cash to Beccon so that you can re-fill all those newly emptied bookshelves with more ~~drubb~~ spiffing SCI-FI epics.

KEN BULMER.

In PR2 we made some reference to our G.O.H.'s history and professional works, but you may be interested to hear of some of his fannish activities over the years.

In 1941 he published his first fanzine 'Star Parade', which ran for seven issues, and collaborated in 'Fantasy Post'. He went on to edit a number of fanzines, many in collaboration, such as 'Science Fantasy News' (1952), 'Aaaagh!' (1954), 'Dysteleology' (1954,55), 'Vignette' (1954), 'Ziz' (1954), and 'Wappopot' (1956). He was also the founder of OMPA (Off-trail Magazine Publishers Association), which organised OMPACON (1973, Eastercon, Bristol). He was TAFF Delegate in 1955 to the Cleveland World S.F. Convention - Clevention - at which Isaac Asimov was GoH. We must also note that BECCON 83 will not be the first time he has been Guest of Honour, - there was Thirddancon (1968 Eastercon, Buxton), and of course Shoestringcon 1 (1980 Hatfield)

* Dysteleology - the doctrine of purposelessness, or the denial of final causes

THE BREATH OF LIFE.

One of F*rd*n*nd F*gh**t's most soul-wrenching experiences occurred when, during a period of meditation, his soul or individuality (in Egyptian terminology his Ka), was stolen from him by his arch-enemy Earl Norbert Phetilfoon, who fled through time and space to conceal it from his victim.

The Great Detective, however, was able to trace Phetilfoon to 15C South America, where he discovered his soul had been hidden under the solid gold altar of the Priest King of Pichicotl.

Unfortunately his luck had run out, and he was arrested by the temple guards whilst delving under the high altar to recover his stolen soul, and was at once flung into the deepest dungeon.

Inserting his babel fish in his ear he was able to converse with his fellow inmates, who naturally asked him what his crime was.

F*gh**t retorted with another question, asking the name of the current high Inca. On receiving the information that the ruler's name was Hol lll, he at once realised the gravity of his offence. He'd been caught in charge of A Ka under the Affluence of Inca Hol.

ADVERTISING.

Advertising rates for the Programme Book will be:-

	FAN	PRO
Half Page;	£3.00	£4.00
Full Page;	£5.00	£6.00
Inside Cover;	£7.00	£8.00

Copy to be camera ready A5 Format.

Copy deadline 10 June 1983, - but advance notice of space required would be appreciated.

If you wish to advertise in PR's, please contact us.

Just to remind you those responsible are, THE COMMITTEE:-

Brian Ameringen	Simon Berisford	Jonathon Cowie
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Roger Perkins	Roger Robinson	John Stewart
Peter Tyers	Kathy Westhead	Mike Westhead

And introducing Richard Edwards & Caroline Mullan